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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of Examiner: C. Bennett Inventors: Lilip Lau, William Group Art Unit: 3307 Hartigan, John J. Frantzen Docket No. ACS 40896 (3806.2) Division of U.S. Serial No. 08/556,516 Filed: Concurrently For: EXPANDABLE STENTS AND Los Angeles, California January 14, 1997 METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with the application that is a division of U.S. Serial No. 08/556,516, filed November 13, 1995.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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